

<u>Incident Name:</u> COVID-19 Public Health Response	End of Day Summary- Public Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services Operational Activity 08/20/2020	<u>Incident Start:</u> March 6, 2020
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Summarized Operational Time Period:	8:00 AM on 08/20/2020 to 5:00 PM on 08/20/2020	

Incident Definition: Response to emerging Novel Corona Virus, now known as COVID-19. This includes-

- Addressing general public concerns regarding COVID-19
- Providing guidance to stakeholders regarding COVID-19
- Provide surveillance of COVID-19 in community
- Provide case investigation and contact tracing for instances of COVID 19.

Summary of COVID Cases

# of Positive COVID Cases in MO	# of Positive COVID Cases in Boone
	Current: 323
Deaths: 1,417	Released from Isolation: 1,436
Total: 71,733	Deaths: 5
	Total: 1,764

Statistic Charts can be found at:

<http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>

Operations Report

Significant Events from Operational Period:

- On boarded a new Data Analyst to help with in depth analysis regarding case and contact

information.

- Distributed information about Burrell's Crisis Counseling program.
- Selected staff met to discuss how to route phone calls and prepared a Clear Communication document.
- Launched the racial equity focus series on social media.
- Data Analyst staff met with social media staff regarding data visualization.
- Leadership met with Hallsville School District, Columbia Public Schools District, Boone Hospital and MU for various meetings.
- Reviewed 3 commercial building COVID plans.
- Responded/assigned staff to City/County complaints.
- Shared racial equity resources among PHHS and other city staff.
- Ordered more zoom licenses.
- Picked up additional sanitizer for spray bottles to disinfect high usage surfaces.
- Responded to public regarding COVID 19 inquiries.
- Continued case and contact investigations.

Daily Media Review

News

- [Coronavirus vaccine 'possible' by winter: Top Harvard scientist](#) - Harvard vaccine researcher Dr. Dan Barouch says that a vaccine is possible by the end of 2020, but won't be widely available until 2021.
- [New COVID-19 cases are declining across the US, official says, but that could quickly change if people aren't careful](#)
- [Sen. Bill Cassidy tests positive for coronavirus](#)
- [First testing results from KU produce 1.25% coronavirus positivity rate](#)
 - [Michigan has 14 school-related outbreaks. State won't say where](#) - At least 14 school-related outbreaks in Michigan K-12 schools and colleges
- [Airbnb bans parties amid continued coronavirus outbreaks](#)
 - [Mutated form of coronavirus may be more contagious, but less deadly, experts say](#) - Mutation known as D614G is the predominant strain in North America, experts say it could be less deadly

Local News

- **Tribune** - [COVID-19 cases in Missouri prison system increase 50% in less than a month, Mizzou to require masks at football games, Boone County sees second-highest case count, Hartzler surveys district on federal COVID-19 relief](#)
- **KOMU** - [MU's IFC recruitment goes virtual](#)
- **KMIZ** - [Positive COVID-19 rate drops, hospitalizations up in Missouri, University of Missouri working on enforcement, contact tracing as students return, Fulton city leaders discuss possible mask ordinance with state health director](#)
- **Missourian** - [Fraternities switch to virtual rush, ban gatherings at houses](#)

Trending

- Mets Vs. Marlins baseball game scheduled for tonight is postponed due to 2 members of the Mets organization testing positive
- American Airlines will temporarily stop flying to 15 small cities in October, potentially leaving some areas underserved as the travel industry continues to be hurt by the

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Local Chatter

- Some fear regarding the recent high case counts, both in the county and statewide.
- Some frustration over MU health care closing the Hearnese Center testing location.

Situation Summary:

COVID 19 has reached global transmission.

- Risk Assessment for travel: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notice.html>
- All 50 states, The District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands have reported cases of COVID-19.
- 27 states report more than 40,000 cases of COVID-19
- For case information by state follow this link:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html#reporting-cases>

CDC has begun recommending all individuals wear facemasks to reduce the chance of transmission while out in public as of 4/3/2020. Children under the age of 2 should not wear masks because of suffocation risk.

More than half of the states in the United States have issued state wide mask mandates.

The CDC has updated guidance to change when isolation should end for a positive case of COVID 19, now reflecting one day free of fever and an improvement in symptoms. Isolation should end 10 days after symptoms have started. Links for this updated guidance can be found:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html>

US travelers are banned from visiting: EU, Bahamas, China, Mexico, Canada, New Zealand and Japan

At Risk Population: Older Adults (60 years of age or older), People who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility, and People with Chronic Health Conditions (Heart Disease, Lung Disease or Asthma, Diabetes, People who are immunocompromised including cancer treatment, or people who are severely obese)

State Information:

Missouri Governor Parson declared a State Emergency on March 13, 2020 to make state resources available to local jurisdictions and activate certain authorities.

- A total **71,733** confirmed cases in Missouri of individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID 19, **1,417** of those cases have died.
- A list of cases reported by county can be found The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services operates a website reporting reported cases of COVID 19 in Missouri at:
<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/results.php>

Missouri's Governor Announced that on June 22 all stay all state restrictions will be lifted, but social distancing is still recommended: <https://governor.mo.gov/press-releases/archive/governor-parson-announces-missouri-will-fully-reopen-enter-phase-2->

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education released guidance for re-opening schools for the upcoming school year to start this fall:

- <https://dese.mo.gov/communications/news-releases/dhss-and-dese-address-frequently-asked-questions-about-school-reopening>

State Lab COVID 19 Testing:

<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/pdf/mo-pui-guidance.pdf>

MoDHSS hotline staffed by medical professionals: 877-435-8411

City/County Information:

On March 16, 2020 the City of Columbia declared a state of emergency within the city to respond to COVID-19. The resolution includes calling for proactive measures to protect the public health, safety and welfare; expressing support for and calling upon City Manager John Glascock and Public Health and Human Services Director Stephanie Browning to enact regulations to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

- Columbia/Boone County hosts an information hub on COVID Cases that have been identified in the county, as well as information about the catchment area cases that the hospitals serve

- <http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>

- There are **1,764** confirmed cases in Boone County, 5 patients passed away, and **1,436** have recovered from the COVID 19 illness.

Columbia and Boone County issued revised Public Health Orders for Social Distancing to begin on August 10 and continue until another Public Health Order is issued or expire on August 31, they can be found at:

- City Order: <https://www.como.gov/CMS/pressreleases/downloadfile.php?id=2493>
- County Order <https://www.como.gov/CMS/pressreleases/downloadfile.php?id=2494>

Columbia City Council Passed Mask Ordinance that will go into effect at 5:00 PM on July 10, 2020. It can be found: <https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/B168-20A-AKA-Face-Mask-Ordinance.pdf>

Boone County Office of Emergency Management opened a virtual EOC on 3/17/2020 to facilitate the coordination of efforts and resources to keep Boone County safe during COVID-19 response efforts.

Columbia Public Schools updated their start date for the 2020/2021 school year to begin after Labor Day:

- <https://www.cpsk12.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=4&ModuleInstanceID=896&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=59907&PageID=1>

The City of Columbia Neighborhood Services, in their role as Volunteer Coordination of the Boone Emergency Response Plan, has activated a COVID 19 Volunteer webpage, it can be found here: <https://www.como.gov/volunteer/covid/>

The City of Columbia has a dedicated webpage that provides a summary of City of Columbia services as they related to COVID-19 and it can be found here: <https://www.como.gov/coronavirus/>

Received waiver from FDA for non-congregate feeding sites, this allows Columbia Public Schools and other children feeding programs to provide meals to children throughout the summer. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/covid-19/non-congregate-feeding-nationwide-waiver-extension>

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has activated a COVID-19 Get Help webpage website to list key human services resources needed during the pandemic: COVID-19 Get Help (<https://www.como.gov/health/gethelp-coronavirus/>).

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has organized five local funders (City, County, United Way, Community Foundation, and VU Foundation) in a collaborative called ComoHelps (<http://comohelps.org>). Through this collaborative we have consolidated financial donations for the COVID-19 response. Financial contributions are being routed to the Heart of Missouri United Way and the Community Foundation of Central Missouri. Nonprofit and governmental volunteer needs are posted, along with the opportunity for community members to sign up as unaffiliated volunteers for assignment as needed.

ComoHelps also developed a single, joint application for nonprofits to submit requests for funding. This expedites access to support for nonprofits and allows us to coordinate funding used in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ComoHelps collaborative meets daily to review and prioritize requests and to allocate funding. The current focus is on funding services being provided in response to COVID-19. Requests for nonprofit sustainability are being referred to federal CARES Act programs and tabled for later consideration. Because this funding collaborative is so unique, ComoHelps have received grants from state and national foundations.

MU Healthcare hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site located at 115 Business Loop 70 W. The site hours of operation to Mon-Fri 8 AM to 7 PM, Saturday 8 AM to Noon, and closed on Sundays.

Boone Hospital hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site. This site's hours of operation are Mon-Fri 8 AM-4:30 PM, and Saturdays 8 AM to Noon, closed on Sundays.